(2) The Criminal Procedure Code Amendment Bill.

(3) The Land Acquisition Regulation Amendment Bill.

(4) The Forest Regulation Amendment Bill.

The above Bills became law as Regulations VI, VII, VIII and IX of 1085 respectively.

I beg further to report that Mr. P. Kesava Pillai, High Court Vakil, Quilon, appointed a non-official member of the Council *vice* Mr. Udaya Varma Raja, takes his seat in Council today.

A petition, received from the Honorary Secretary, Quilon Bar Library, *re* the Court Fees Bill, was then reported to the Council, by whose direction, the same was deferred for consideration along with the Select Committee's Report on that Bill.

THE STAMP REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I beg to apply for permission to introduce a Bill to amend the Stamp Regulation, IV of 1080.

Permission was granted accordingly.

THE BREACH OF CONTRACT REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I also beg leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Breach of Contract Regulation, II of 1080.

Permission was granted accordingly.

THE HACKNEY CARRIAGE BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.— I beg to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Hackney Carriage Bill. The Report, and the Bill as amended by the Committee, have been published in the Gazette and copies thereof circulated among the members. I move that the Report be taken up for consideration.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

The motion was put and agreed to.

President.—Para 2 of Section 1 provides for the Regulation being extended to any other town or place in Travancore. Such stringent provisions as the Bill contains, will probably be seldom required in rural areas. It is also doubtful if there are hackney carriages plying for hire in rural parts. It will probably be hardly found necessary to extend this law to any place other than a town.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I propose that the words "or place" in line 4 of para of Section 1 be omitted and that the word "place" in line 4 of para 2 of Section 2 be substituted by the word "town".

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I move that the words "in this Regulation" in paras 2 and 3 of Section 2 be omitted.

Seconded by Mr. Padmanabha Iyer.

Carried.

President.—It is seen from Section 3 and the succeeding provisions, that it is proposed to give the Superintendent of Police the control over the hackney carriages plying in the town. It is a question for consideration whether such matters, relating to Municipal administration, may not more appropriately be entrusted to the President of the Town Improvement Committee, the receipts on account of the working of the law being added to the Town Fund.

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